been drawn to the news item which appeared in the observer on July 9, 1993 under the heading of "CCEA clear drug sectors delicensing";

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that Government are retaining the ratio-parameter limiting consumption of imported drugs and tariff mechanism for basic stage manufacture incentive;

(c) whether Government has made any study on these aspects;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether it is a fact that drug companies have switched over to imports of penultimates and intermediates instead of drugs to avoid ratio-parameter;

(f) what are the names of drug companies which are importing penultimates and intermediates and what was the total imports of intermediates and penultimates during the last three years; year-wise; and

(g) what are the names of companies which switched to basic manufacture due to tariff mechanism alongwith names of drugs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) No decision regarding delicensing has been taken by the Government. A Background Note on "Review of Drug Policy 1986" has been placed on the table of the House on 12-8-92 for discussion.

(e) Ratio-parameters are related to manufacture of formulations only.

(f) and (g) Imports of intermediates etc. are not monitored. Imports are permissible as per the imports Policy in force from time to time and in accordance with conditions, if any, of Industrial Licences granted to individual companies.

Reduction of Drug Prices

468. SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL:
SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN:
Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the observer on 15th June, 1993 under the caption "cuts outside controller category under consideration";

(b) what are the basis on which Government are reducing the prices of price decontrol drugs and what are the names of drugs whose prices have been reduced;

(c) whether it is a fact that number of companies are importing drugs from their principles or associate at a much higher prices than the international prices;

(d) if so, what steps have been taken to check the prices;

(e) whether Government has laid down any guidelines for working the formulation prices where imports of drugs are made at much higher prices than international prices; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) For the purpose of reducing the prices of price-decontrolled drugs, the matter has been taken up with the industry associations, with the direction to advise their members to reduce the prices of such bulk drugs & medicines to pass on the benefit of custom duty/excise duty reductions announced in the Budget for 1993-94.

(c) To the extent information available, no such case has come to the notice of this Department.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) and (f) For the purpose of fixing the prices of formulations based on imported bulk drugs listed in category-I & II of Schedule-I & II of DPCO, 1987, DPRC Sub-Committee adopts weighted average landed cost of such bulk drugs as provided by DGHS.

Consumption of Bulk Drugs

469. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what was the consumption of imported and indigenous bulk drugs of fifteen major multinational drug companies during last three years, year-wise;

(b) what was the total import of bulk drugs, drug intermediates, penultimates and other raw materials imported by each of these companies during the same period;

(c) whether it is a fact that most of these companies are either importing penultimates/intermediates or buying bulk drugs being produced locally for which they had licences;

(d) if so, the names of such companies and names of bulk drugs concerned;

(e) what are the names of bulk drugs which these companies were permitted to produce during the last five years and what is the stage of production of each; and

(f) what is the present status of each permission and what are the names of drugs whose production have been commenced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (f) Quantity and value of companywise imports of bulk drugs & formulations are not monitored. However to the extent available, information regarding consumption of indigenous bulk drugs by fifteen major multinational companies is indicated in Statement.

Statement

Value: Rs. Lakhs

	Name of the Company	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92
1.	Gluxo	128	135	126
2.	Hoechst	2015	2987	NA
3.	Ciba-Geigy	504	642	505
4.	Sandoz	354	296	568
5.	Proctor & Gamble	39	75	62
6.	Burroughs Wellcome	585	618	764
7.	Bayer	468	568	563
8.	Pfizer	NA	1251	1500
9.	Boots	NA	NA	1950
10.	SKF	327	641	598
11.	E. Merck	364	482	582
12.	Ricket & Colmon	96	99	178
13.	Rhone Poulence	270	327	230
14.	Cyanamid	600	507	699
15.	Roche Products	NA	NA	424

Note: Figures on value exclude excise duty.
N.A.: Not available.

Finished Formulations Imported by Multinational Companies

470. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of finished formulations being imported by multinational drug companies and what was the import of each during the last five years, year-wise, and CIF prices, quantity-wise and value-wise;

(b) what is the source of import of each;

(c) what was the sales turn over of each during the above period;

(d) what are the names of drugs on which each is based and whether any of these drugs are licensed or produced in the country; and

(e) what are the names of formulations which are exempted from custom duty and what was the price of each before the exemption of duty and what is the present price?

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (e) Companywise and product-wise imports of drugs and formulations are being monitored.

Liabilities of Public Sector Undertakings

471. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any progress has been made in assessing the liability under Para 7(2) of DPCO, 1979 against the public sector undertakings;

(b) whether monies assessed against undertakings upto 1984-85 were ignored;

(c) whether it is a fact that over-payments to such companies have been made out from DPCA to support foreign trips of some of the officials; and

(d) if so, what are the details of such trips and in what way the said officers were concerned with drugs division?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) To the extent information available, the liability of all Public Sector Undertakings under Para 7(2) of DPCO, 1979 has already been assessed.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.